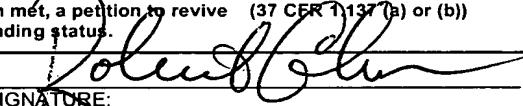


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER SONYJP 3.3-314
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/008186	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 27 June 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 28 June 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM, AND PROGRAM		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Sadaka Suzuki and Kunihiko Noguchi		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.<input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))<ol style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.<input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). w/PCT Request<ol style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.<input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))<ol style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).<input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.<input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.<input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).<input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).<input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. w/PTO-1449, 6 references<input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.<input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.<input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.<input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.<input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.<input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report (Japanese), Copy of Face Page of International Application as filed, Eighteen (18) Sheets of Formal Drawings, Return Receipt Postcard		

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